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FM AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8550
INFO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHDC
UNCLAS GEORGETOWN 4432
JUSTICE FOR: JIM HERGIN
DEPARTMENT FOR (TERRY FORTUNE) L
E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: CASC, GY, (PEOPLE'S TEMPLE)
SUBJ: PEOPLE'S TEMPLE BANK ACCOUNTS IN GUYANA
1. THE EMBASSY HAS SENT LETTERS TO ALL GEORGETOWN BANKS IN-
QUIRYING ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF ACCOUNTS BELONGING TO THE
"PEOPLE'S TEMPLE OR ANY OF THE DECEASED PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS".
2. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A REPLY FROM THE MANAGER OF THE
GEORGETOWN BRANCH OF BARCLAYS BANK INTERNATIONAL LIMITED. TH
LETTER IS QUOTED IN FULL:
DEAR SIR,
RE: PEOPLE'S TEMPLE
WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER OF 13TH DECEMBER, WHILE THE BANK
IS ONLY TOO WILLING TO ASSIT YOUR EMBASSY IT WOULD BE IN BREACH
OF ITS DUTY OF CONFIDENTIALITY TO ITS CUSTOMERS TO DIVULGE ANY
INFORMATION EXCEPT BY COMPULSION OF AN ORDER OF THE COURT HERE
OR BY CONSENT OF THE OFFICERS OF THE ABOVE UNITED STATES BODY IN
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IN ITS COPORATE NAME.
AS REGARDS DECEASED MEMBERS IT WOULD BE AS WELL AS TO SEND US A
LIST BUT ONE AGAIN THE BANK ONLY REVEALS INFORMATION WHEN RE-
QUESTED BY LAWYERS ACTING FOR THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF
A DECEASED FOR ESTATE DUTY PURPOSES.
YOUR FAITHFULLY,
EVADNE THOMPSON (MRS.)
MANAGER
3. THE EMBASSY HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT ACCOUNTS DO EXIST AT
THIS BANK. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE WHETHER FURTHER
CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE CONSUL AND THE BANK IS DESIRED AND,
IF SO, TO SUGGEST SPECIFIC WORDING FOR SUCH CORRESPONDENCE.
EMBASSY NOTES THAT DEPARTMENT HAD SENT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS
RE ACCOUNTS TO PANAMA AND BERN.
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